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TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES:

In accordance with the Impoundment Control Act of 1974, I herewith report one new deferral of budget authority amounting to $11.3 million for the Energy Research and Development Administration's Intense Neutron Source Facility. In addition, I am reporting a revision to a previously transmitted deferral for the anti-recession financial assistance fund in the Office of the Secretary of the Treasury.

The details of each deferral are contained in the attached reports.

Jimmy Carter

THE WHITE HOUSE, August 16, 1977.

D77-57A

CONTENTS OF SPECIAL MESSAGE
(in thousands of dollars)

Deferral #	Item	Budget Authority
D77-57A	Department of the Treasury: Office of the Secretary Antirecession financial assistance fund....	8,453
D77-64	Energy Re[illegible] Develpment Administration: Plant a[illegible]al equipment..................	11,300
	Total, deferrals.........................	19,753

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SUMMARY OF SPECIAL MESSAGES
FOR FY 1977
(in thousands of dollars)

	Rescissions	Deferrals
Eighteenth special message:		
New items..	---	11,300
Changes to amounts previously submitted............	---	2,423
Effect of the eighteenth special message.........	---	13,723
Previous special messages..............................	1,831,930	7,470,657
Total amount proposed in special messages............	1,831,930 (in 20 rescission proposals)	7,484,380 (in 64 deferrals)

NOTE: All amounts listed represent budget authority except for $134,807,092 consisting of two general revenue sharing deferrals of outlays only (D77-26 and D77-27A). Reports for D77-26 and D77-27A are included in the special messages of October 1, 1976, and December 3, 1976, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

Report Pursuant to Section 1014(c) of Public Law 93-344

This report revises Deferral No. D77-57 transmitted to the Congress on April 28, 1977, and printed as House Document 95-135.

This revision of a deferral for the Antirecession financial assistance fund in the Office of the Secretary of the Treasury increases the previously reported deferral from $6,030,000 to $8,453,000. This increase of $2,423,000 is the net effect of releases, adjustments, and additional budgetary resources made available to this account in P.L. 95-29.

Deferral No: D77-57A

DEFERRAL OF BUDGET AUTHORITY

Report Pursuant to Section 1013 of P.L. 93-344

Agency: Department of the Treasury	New budget authority (P.L. 94-447 & 95-29) $1,570,000,000*
Bureau: Office of the Secretary	Other budgetary resources 312,500,000
Appropriation title & symbol: Antirecession Financial Assistance Fund 207/80108 1/	Total budgetary resources 1,882,500,000*
	Amount to be deferred: Part of year $ ____
	Entire year 8,453,000*
OMB identification code: 20-0108-0-1-852	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1013): [x] Antideficiency Act
Grant program [x] Yes [ ] No	[x] Other P.L. 94-369
Type of account or fund: [ ] Annual	Type of budget authority: [x] Appropriation
[x] Multiple-year September 30, 1978 (expiration date)	[ ] Contract authority
[ ] No-year	[ ] Other ____

* Justification

The Secretary of the Treasury must hold a portion of this account in reserve to meet valid claims from State and local governments that past antirecession financial assistance payments to them were too small. Because the total amount appropriated for all governments is fixed, the alternative to such a reserve is recurring recomputations of entitlements of 39,000 governments for prior entitlement periods. Accordingly, the Office of Revenue Sharing has withheld from obligation an amount equal to one-half of one percent of the amounts appropriated for the transition quarter and FY 1977.

This cumulative unobligated reserve, totaling $8.5 million, is available to the Secretary of the Treasury to satisfy legitimate claims against the fund for prior entitlement periods. The unobligated amount retained in the fund will be reduced whenever the Secretary determines that a lesser amount is adequate to meet foreseeable liabilities against the fund. The reduction will be made by paying the additional amount to recipients as part of a regular distribution.

Estimated Effect

This action will postpone distribution of the amount of the reserve until necessary adjustments and corrections have been identified. It will also avoid substantial confusion and complexities in the administration of the program.

1/ This account is the subject of another deferral, D77-60.
* Revised from previous report.

* Outlay Effect (estimated in millions of dollars)

Comparison with President's 1978 Budget:

1. Budget outlay estimate for FY 1977	$1,250.0
2. Outlay savings, if any, included in the budget outlay estimate	-0-

Current Outlay Estimates for FY 1977:

3. Without deferral	1,707.0
4. With deferral	1,698.5
5. Current outlay savings (line 3 - line 4)	+8.5
Outlay savings for FY 1978	-8.5
Outlay savings for FY 1979	-0-

* Revised from previous report.

Deferral No: D77-64

DEFERRAL OF BUDGET AUTHORITY

Report Pursuant to Section 1013 of P.L. 93-344

Agency U.S. Energy Research and Development Administration	New budget authority (P.L. 94-355 & 94 - 373) $1,634,630,000
Bureau	Other budgetary resources 106,534,747
Appropriation title & symbol Plant and Capital Equipment 1/ 89X0103	Total budgetary resources 1,741,164,747
	Amount to be deferred: Part of year $ _____ Entire year 11,300,000
OMB identification code: 89-0103-0-1-999	Legal authority (in addition to sec. 1013): ☐ Antideficiency Act ☐ Other _____
Grant program ☐ Yes ☒ No	
Type of account or fund: ☐ Annual ☐ Multiple-year _____ (expiration date) ☒ No-year	Type of budget authority: ☒ Appropriation ☐ Contract authority ☐ Other _____

Justification: The Administration has determined that project 76-5-a, 14 MEV Intense Neutron Source Facility, Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory, New Mexico, is not required as part of its Magnetic Fusion Energy Program. The Administration's proposed FY 1978 authorization bill for the Energy Research and Development Administration (ERDA) includes a provision to eliminate the existing authorization for appropriations for this project. Pending final congressional action on the ERDA FY 1978 authorization bill, funds not required to maintain ongoing project activities will be deferred. The purpose for this deferral is to minimize the use of additional funds while the authorization bill is being considered.

Estimated Effects: This deferral will have no effect on current project activities. If the authorization for the project is not eliminated, the total cost and completion date of the project will not be significantly affected by this deferral since the deferral will terminate not later than the end of FY 1977, a period of less than two months.

Outlay Effect:

There is no outlay effect resulting from the deferral since it will be in effect for only a brief time.

1/ This account is the subject of another deferral, D77-56.

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